

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NATIONAL UNION FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF PITTSBURGH,
PENNSYLVANIA, a corporation, and
AMERICAN HOME ASSURANCE
COMPANY, a corporation,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ELECTRIC TRANSIT INCORPORATED, an
Ohio corporation and joint venture of SKODA,
a.s., a corporation, SKODA, a.s., SKODA
OSTROV, s.r.o., a corporation, AAI
CORPORATION, a corporation, and CZECH
EXPORT BANK, a corporation,

Defendants.

No. C 04-03435 JSW

**ORDER DENYING MOTIONS TO
SHORTEN TIME FOR
CONSIDERATION OF MOTION
TO AMEND ANSWER AND
MOTION TO ALLOW
AMENDMENT OF EXPERT'S
REPORT AND RESETTING
DATES**

Now before the Court is the motion filed by Plaintiffs and Counterclaim Defendants National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and American Home Assurance Company, and Third-Party Defendant, American International Group, Inc. (collectively "Sureties") to shorten time for consideration of the Sureties' motion to amend their answer in response to counterclaim and third-party complaint and the Sureties' motion to allow amendment of their expert's report.

Having carefully considered the motion, the Court hereby DENIES the Sureties' motions to shorten time.

However, because the deadline for the pretrial filings is fast-approaching and in the interest of preserving judicial resources, the Court HEREBY RESETS the pretrial conference and trial dates. The pretrial conference, previously set for July 30, 2007 at 2:00 p.m., is reset to October 1, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. The trial, previously set to commence on August 20, 2007 at 8:30 a.m., is reset to commence on October 22, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

IT IS SO ORDERED.